Planning and Development Department Update

DATE: July 2, 2015

TO: Mayor Setti D. Warren

FROM: James Freas, Acting Director of Planning and Development

RE: Friday Report

CC: Board of Aldermen

Maureen Lemieux, Chief of Staff and Chief Financial Officer

Dori Zaleznik, Chief Administrative Officer

This weekly report is intended to keep you informed of current development proposals and other noteworthy planning and development activities as follows:

Monday 7/6/15	Planning and Development Board, 7:30 p.m., Room 204
Tuesday 7/7/15	
Wednesday 7/8/15	Newton Housing Partnership, 7:45 a.m., Room 211
Thursday 7/9/15	Newton Upper Falls Historic District Commission, 7:30 p.m., Room 205

Please note that Newton City Hall will be closed on Friday July 3rd in observance of the July 4th holiday celebration. We will open again on Monday, July 6th. Have a happy and safe holiday~

- Planning and Development Board: The Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 6th at 7:30 p.m. in Room 204. Items on the agenda are as follows: Recommendation for the allocation of FY16 Emergency Solutions Grants. Please contact Judith Menon at 617.796.1125 or <a href="mailto:image:i
- Newton Housing Partnership: The Partnership will meet on Wednesday, July 8th at 7:45 a.m. in Room 211. The items on agenda include: presentation and discussion on scope change for Golda Meir House and review and approval of meeting minutes. Contact Liz Valenta at 617.796.1145 or evalenta@newtonma.gov.
- Newton Upper Falls Historic District Commission: The Commission will meet on Thursday, July 9th at 7:30 p.m. in Room 205. The following requests will be considered: 59 High Street, review of gable end of barn as-built drawings, installed windows, exterior vents, and sidewalk repair process; 43-45 High Street, to modify approved landscape plan to add 35-foot long retaining wall and steps on north side of drive, and to change approved fiberglass gutters to wood; 70-72 High Street, working session on proposed project to renovate existing house and build rear addition; Administrative discussion to include approval of meeting minutes. Contact Barbara Kurze at 617.796.1129 or bkurze@newtonma.gov.
- Consolidated Plan: The final drafts of the FY16-20 Consolidated Plan and the FY16 Annual Action Plan are now available online, and can be accessed by clicking on this link:
 <u>www.newtonma.gov/conplan</u>. Thank you again to everyone who provided invaluable feedback throughout the 17-month planning process. Contact Lydia Scott at 617.721.0772 or lscott@newtonma.gov.

WestMetro Home Consortium Regional Fair Housing Plan: The final drafts of the FY16-20
WestMetro Home Consortium Regional Fair Housing Plan are now available online, and can
be accessed by clicking on this link:
http://www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/hcd/plans/default.asp.

Newton Civil War Soldiers' Monument, Newton Cemetery: We're coming up on the 1st



anniversary of the rededication of the Monument. We wanted to encourage you to revisit this wonderful project at the Newton Cemetery. The link below leads to brief life stories of the 61 men whose names appear on the Newton Civil War Soldiers' Monument www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/histpres/civil war soldiersmonument. asp. Most of this information was obtained from www.ancestry.com, but a full bibliography is available upon request. If you have additional questions or want information about these Newton Civil War

soldiers please **contact Katy Hax Holmes 617.796.1143 or <u>kholmes@newtonma.gov</u> or click on the link above.**